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Re: Gulfco Marine Maintenance Superfund Site, Freeport, Texas
Unilateral Administrative Order, CERCLA Docket No. 06-05-05
Phase 3 Wetland Surface Sediment Investigation Data and Proposed Phase 4 Wetland
Sediment Investigation Activities

Dear Mr. Pastor:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), and the Natural Resource Trustees have performed a review of the above referenced document dated February 12, 2008. With this letter, the EPA approves the proposed investigation with the following modifications:

- a. Collect 1- to 2-foot sediment samples at locations 2WSED8 and 2WSED10. These samples, planned for a previous sampling trip, were not collected due to saturated conditions. If the locations remain saturated, or there is standing water, then samples are not required.
- b. Replace the preliminary screening values (PSV) with any more conservative ecological-based numbers in the 2006 update to TCEQ's ecological risk assessment guidance document. This update is available at the following website:
<http://www.tceq.state.tx.us/remediation/eco/eco.html>

The modifications shall be incorporated in the referenced document and copies provided to the notification list within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (214) 665-8318, or send an e-mail message to miller.garyg@epa.gov.

Sincerely yours,

Gary Miller, P.E.

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